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Dear Bob:

This is to provide our comments on Larry Hammond's proposed changes to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department and the Agency regarding the reporting of possible federal crimes by CIA employees.

- (1) We concur with the revised paragraph 6.
- (2) We recommend that the revised paragraph 7 end with the words "Attorney General in writing" and that the phrase "in lieu of following the reporting procedures of paragraphs 3 through 6 of this Memorandum" be deleted. With this further modification the paragraph would allow exactly what the statute and Executive Order call for -- reports by the Director to the Attorney General. Deletion of the last phrase will de-emphasize the fact that in situations of security concern to the Director reporting will not be made at a lower level.
- (3) Based upon our conversation the new paragraph 8 will read as follows:

Interpretation of the foregoing provisions shall be consistent with 28 U.S.C. §535 and E. O. 12036 and shall be determined by the Department of Justice. Matters not readily resolved by reference to the guidelines established by this Memorandum shall be handled on a case-by-case basis, as the need may arise, consistent with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. §535 and E. O. 12036.

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Sincerely,						

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